GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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USE OF CHEMICALS FOR VEGETABLE PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a report that use of chemical is rampant in enhancing production of vegetables;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any action in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (d): The balanced use of chemical fertilizers along with organic manures has been recommended for production of various crops, including vegetables. Foliar spray of micronutrients also increases the yield of vegetable crops. Chemical insecticides, fungicides and weedicides are used to minimize crop losses due to incidence of insect pests, diseases and weeds.